

Comptroller General of the United States

Washington, D.C. 20548

Decision

Matter of:

Four Winds Travel-Reconsideration

File:

B-262159.2

Date:

August 24, 1995

DECISION

Four Winds Travel requests reconsideration of our decision of August 7, 1995, in which we dismissed its protest against the terms of request for proposals No. F09650-94-R-0290, issued by the Department of the Air Force. We dismissed Four Winds' protest as untimely filed because it was filed more than 10 days after the protester had actual or constructive knowledge of initial adverse agency action regarding the protest.

In its request for reconsideration, Four Winds states its late filing was due to the incorrect information it received from the agency as well as the Atlanta, Georgia Regional Office of the General Accounting Office. We have consistently held that a protester's lack of knowledge of our Regulations is no defense to a dismissal since our Regulations are published in the <u>Federal Register</u> and <u>Code of Federal Regulations</u> and protesters are charged with constructive notice of their contents. <u>See Domation, Inc.</u>, B-228221, Sept. 28, 1987, 87-2 CPD ¶ 311. Therefore, a protester relying on oral advice contrary to our bid protest filing regulations does so at its own peril. <u>See Cuernilargo Elec. Supply</u>, B-240249, Nov. 2, 1990, 91-1 CPD ¶ 68.

The request for reconsideration is denied.

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